

# Our Lady of Peace Parish

*“Three Churches One Faith Community”*

## Bulletin Sunday May 7, 2023 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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### Churches & Mass Times



#### St. Anthony's Church

603 Union St.  
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00 PM



#### St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.  
Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 8:45 AM



#### St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road  
Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

### Upcoming Events

May 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM Cathedral of Immaculate Conception  
Mass of Ordination  
Deacon Mawhinney & Deacon David Rioux

Week of May 15<sup>th</sup> – May 19<sup>th</sup>  
No Weekday Masses  
Priests Retreat

Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> St. Dunstan's Church  
The Great Mission 7 PM – 9 PM  
Fredericton Regional Pentecost Mission  
Led by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC  
More info in upcoming bulletins.

### Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> 12:00 PM St. Theresa's  
*Henry & Barry Anderson*  
Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM St. Anthony's  
*Fr. Monte Peters*  
Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> 12:00 PM St. Theresa's  
*Samantha Bath*  
Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM St. Anthony's  
*Clarence & Annie LeBlanc*  
Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM St. Anthony's  
*Mass For The People*  
Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> 8:45 AM St. Patrick's  
*Deceased Members of the McWade Family*  
Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM St. Theresa's  
*Veronica Miller*

Marriages & Baptism please call pastoral office. 444-6010

### Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Apr 30, 2023		Weekly	Contributions
Offertory	\$ 4,930	Offertory	\$ 4,930
Capital Infrastructure	235	Budget Needs	(5,255)
Special Collections	30	Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ (325)</b>
Other	110	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,305</b>	Offertory	\$ 92,705
		Budget Needs	92,295
		Excess (Shortfall)	<b>\$ 410</b>

*Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time, talent and treasure. For all you do, THANK YOU!*

### Website & Social Media

[www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](http://www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca)

Keep up to date on all activities,  
news and weather cancelations!



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Office Numbers

Fr. Maria's 444-6070

Patty Cameron 444-6018

**Confessions** Fr. Maria will hear confessions at St. Anthony's Church on Saturdays at 3:30 PM before 4:00 PM Mass.



We are deeply grateful for any donation because it helps us help marginalized communities. But because of the way we operate, **it is monthly donations that make the biggest difference.**

When you **become a Share Year-Round donor**, your contribution becomes sustained and predictable and comes at a reduced administrative cost to us.

**This Lent, double the impact of your gift!** From February 22 to May 28, those who become Share Year-Round donors (or increase their monthly donations) will have their annual contribution matched dollar for dollar. **Matching dollars are from benefactors and religious communities that support the work of D&P.**

To give monthly and to join our **Share Year-Round program**, fill in the form on the Development and Peace website (devp.org) or call us toll-free at 1 888 234-8533.

## Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration is a silent time for you to have some time alone with Jesus to recite your favorite prayers, read the bible, contemplate acts of faith, hope, charity, thanksgiving or reparation, or do whatever type of prayerful devotion that suits you before the Lord. You can just sit quietly and say nothing, just keep Him company like you would a dear friend.

Friday 9:30 AM - St. Anthony's Church \*

Thursday 11:30 AM – St. Theresa's Church plus \*

Third Thursday of each month 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

First Wednesday of the month 1:00 PM - St. Patrick's Church

*\* If a Friday Mass is not scheduled or cancelled, Adoration is also cancelled.*

St. Theresa's Church

This week the Sanctuary Lamp Burns in Memory of *Raymond Cormier*

Offered by Pauline

*This week the Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of ...*



### Our Lady of Peace Shawl Ministry

have been very busy and have completed beautiful Prayer Shawls. The Shawls have been blessed and are available at the Parish Office. If you have a family member or a friend

who you know would be comforted with a Prayer Shawl please drop by the office and pick out one.

**Start spreading the word! Do you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, cousin, friend who is between the ages of 14-18 who's faith you want to grow? Invite them to go to the conference!** Steubenville Atlantic is held on the campus of Dalhousie University in Halifax for youth ages 14-18. Last year over 300 young people and youth leaders experienced a weekend like no other. It is a unique chance to encounter Christ in a way that changes lives.

This year's theme is **Refuge** based on Matthew 11.28: Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Between school, friends, family responsibilities, and maybe a part-time job - plus so many other things! - we think this year's theme will resonate with many young people. **COST PER YOUTH IS \$280.00. (TRANSPORTATION FROM VARIOUS PICKUP SPOTS IN OUR DIOCESE PROVIDED) REGISTRATION CLOSING ON JUNE 7, 2023. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT PATRICIA LEE AT [CATECHESIS@DIOCESEOFSAINTJOHN.ORG](mailto:CATECHESIS@DIOCESEOFSAINTJOHN.ORG) OR CALL 506-627-6465.**



Are you new to Our Lady of Peace Parish? We welcome you. We invite you to register with the Parish, to do so there are registration forms at each of the churches. Please fill one out and drop it in the offertory basket or drop it by the Parish Office.

**Is Now the Time?** Have you ever considered “pitching in” and helping to provide engaging young families in our parish with quality programs and activities? The Faith Formation team is looking for volunteers of all ages to help bring our Catholic faith alive in our parish. Are you available once a month to help lead Family Faith Formation? Are you able to help a few times a year for Sacrament workshops and retreats? How about seasonally, in Advent and Lent, to help with family and parish events? Maybe you are being called to help prepare youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation? As we all know, many hands make light work. So why not consider being part of helping our parish grow by serving our young families, children and youth. There are many opportunities and training and resources are always provided. For more information please contact Patty Cameron, Director of Faith Formation, at [pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca](mailto:pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca) or (506) 444-6018.

### **CWL News**      **Have you got your tickets yet?????**



April 15<sup>th</sup> is the launch for the ticket sales on the Mothers Day Draw. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Draw consists of a beautiful Quilt quilted by St. Anthony's Quilting Group and donated to St. Theresa's CWL. Secondary draw as well for a Mother's Day Basket. Tickets will be sold at our Parish Churches on weekend masses and also tickets can be purchase from CWL members and also available at the Parish Office. Draw will be held May 14<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds to go Community Outreach.

### **St. Theresa's CWL Bursary**

Attention all Grade Twelve Students, St. Theresa's CWL will be awarding \$1000.00 Bursary towards your post secondary education. The qualified recipient will be announced at the beginning of June. Application forms are available for pick up at all there of our Parish Churches. Deadline is May 31, 2023.

### **National CWL Bursary**

The deadline for this bursary is May 15, 2023. Qualified recipients may receive up to \$1,000.00 per year and up to \$4,000.00 for a lifetime. Application forms can be downloaded from [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca) Go to this site to review criteria and guidelines.

### **HELPING UKRANIAN FAMILIES IN FREDERICTON**

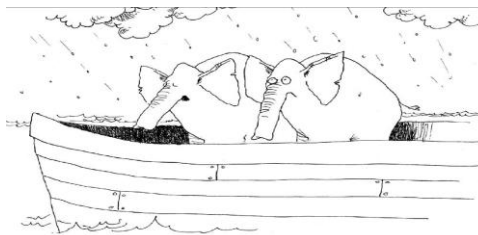


If you would like more information, would like to register to host Ukrainian's arriving in Fredericton, or donate items please call (506) 454-8292 or visit the Multicultural Association Website <https://nbmc-cmnb.ca/resources-for-ukraine/volunteers-hosts-and-donations/>

The Most Rev. Christian H. Riesbeck, CC, Bishop of Saint John, joyfully announces the call to ordination to the Order of Presbyter of Deacon Stephen Mawhinney and Deacon David Rioux, through the Invocation of the Holy Spirit and the Laying on of Hands. The Mass of Ordination will be held on Friday, May 12, 2023 6:30PM, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, in Saint John, New Brunswick.

**PENTECOST MISSION:** on May 29-31, Bishop Riesbeck will preach a three-day Pentecost Mission on the theme of, "The Great Commission." Diving into Jesus' call to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." This Mission will help equip people first to KNOW Jesus, to GROW with him as his disciples and in community with one another, and finally to GO to the peripheries, spreading the Good News to all we meet and inviting people into a life-changing relationship with Jesus and his Church. Evening missions will take place from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm at St. Dunstan's Church in Fredericton. Each session will begin with Mass, with a reconciliation service offered on Tuesday and Commissioning and Healing Prayer on Wednesday. Refreshments and fellowship will follow each session

**“Just Great, Our First Cruise and it’s gonna rain for 40 Days and 40 Nights.”**



# Ministry Schedule May 13 & 14th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Bonnie & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Andre Paier, Daren Richard, Ed Theriault
Eucharistic Minister	Ken Harris	Marg Anderson & Deborah Allen
Alter Servers	Merla Spires	Julia Paier, Noah VanLeeuwen, Lucas Daigle, Kevin Fernandez
Lector	Greg Feener	Barry Miller
Sacristan		Debbie Heustis

## Our Sacred Stories - The Unlimited Discovery of Our/My God

In one of the final chapters of his book, *How Big is Your God?* Loyola Press, 2007, ch.47, Jesuit priest Fr. Paul Coutinho relates the story of a 4-year-old named Neil. Fr. Paul met Neil and his parents after Mass one day. He had been talking about the "breath of God" being in all persons and things, noting that all we need is the eyes and ears of faith to experience its presence. Neil revealed this capacity when he climbed onto his Mom knee, held her face in his hands and looking into her eyes, proclaimed: "Mom, I can see God in you, and she is a girl."

In John's Gospel, the last section (chaps. 13-20) is often called "The Book of Glory". It relates the final steps of Jesus' path to crucifixion and then resurrection. Before the glory of new life, there will be a dying and darkness. Jesus will challenge his disciples as they enter this dark experience. He will also encourage and support them, providing the consolation of hope in a new life.

John 14:1-12 is part of a discourse set at the table of the Last Supper. It shows Jesus as he prepares his disciples for the darkness of his crucifixion. He reassures them he will return to be with them as the way to the kingdom. They need not be troubled or fearful. They are called to trust in God and trust in Jesus himself who showed them the way.

John's Gospel is the latest of the four gospels. The first level of meaning tells of the darkness and anxiety among the disciples who had walked with Jesus. But the Gospel was written more than a generation after Jesus' death and resurrection for the new disciples of the writer's own time. This offers a second level of meaning. John wrote for these later disciples of his own age who faced the rejection of their own communities. He called for them to have faith and to live in hope. There is as well, a third level, our own present experience.

We face many challenges in life. Often, they take us into darkness and anxiety. Some of these challenges are personal, others are global, affecting humanity more broadly. In the midst of the problems facing our own times, we quite rightly seek to find solutions that respond to them or lessen their impact. The darkness comes when we are unable to solve them or at least to solve them quickly. We are left sometimes with uncertainty and doubt and discouragement.

This is where the disciples were in John's Gospel. At the table of the Last Supper, as Jesus tells them he is leaving them, they find themselves overwhelmed by such darkness. As he seeks to reassure them, they are filled with questions. Peter asks: "Lord, where are you going?... Why can't I follow?"

Thomas exclaims: "Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus tells them that through him, they have come to know the Father. Still, they fear losing him. Philip appeals to him: "Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied." Jesus has urged his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me." The spiritual writer John Shea comments: "I think our hearts become troubled by death and loss because we believe in too small a God. We need an understanding of God that blows our mind." (*The Spiritual Wisdom of the Gospels for Christian Preachers and Teachers* Year A 185)

In other words, we should see God as mystery, something that is so great that we can never exhaust its truth. No matter how much we try to capture the full meaning of God, it evades us. We will ever be discovering newness and more in God. Shea turns to St. Anselm, a Benedictine monk and archbishop of Canterbury (1093-1109) in all this. While we quite naturally want to "know-for-sure", the greatest consolation when we face challenges is in living with a relationship of trust. With trust we rest in hope, even without the certitude we crave.

It is no small thing that this Gospel also reveals a call to action, the result of such trust, hope and love: "I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do (John 14:12)." Truly, Good News in this time.

John Jennings

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Easter